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Upon Midſummer day,

For the Election of the SHERIFFS of LONDON, &c.

My Lord Mayor and the Aldermen, with the Sheriffs, meet at the Guildhall at eight of the Clock in the Morning, apparelled in their Violet Gowns lined, and their Cloaks of Scarlet lined, without their Hoſes.

And when they have been together in the Council-Chamber a certain time, concerning the Nomination of certain perſons to be Elected, my Lord and the Aldermen

dermen come out, and put on their Cloaks in the Orphans Court, and then go down in order to the Hustings Court, and there being set, Master Recorder standeth up, and maketh his Obeysance, first to my Lord, and then unto the Commons, and declareth unto them wherefore they are assembled together, shewing unto them that it is for the Election of one of the Sheriffs of London, and the Sheriff of Middlesex, for the Year next ensuing, and the confirmation of the other Sheriff nominated by my Lord Mayor, according to his Prerogative; and also for Master Chamberlein, and other Officers.

But my Lord and the Aldermen go up to my Lords Court, and there remain until the Sheriff

riff be named and chosen, the doors shut to them.

Then Master Sheriffs, Master Chamberlein, Master Common Serjeant, Master Town Clerk, and the Counsellors of the City, and other Officers, remain still in the Huskings Court, to take and receive the Name of him that shall seem by their judgments, freely and with one consent, to be nominated and elected, and justly tried out, not only by voice, but also by hands, to be Sheriff for the Year following.

Then the Commons go to the Election of Master Chamberlein, the two Bridg-masters, the Auditors of the City and Bridge-house accounts, and the Surveyors of Beer and Ale, according to the accustomed manner.

That done, the Sheriffs, Master

ſter Chamberlein, Maſter Common Serjeant, Maſter Town-Clerk, the Counſellors of the City, the two Secondaries, and the Wardens of the head Companies, Maſter Common Crier going before them with his Mace, carry up the Report to my Lord and the Aldermen, of their ſaid Election.

Which Report received, my Lord and the Aldermen come down again to the Huſtings Court, and there being ſet in order and placed, Maſter Recorder ſtandeth up as he did before, and maketh rehearſal of the names of thoſe whom they have nominated and choſen, asking them whether it be their free Election, yea or no. And they grant, yea, yea. Then Maſter Recorder giveth them thanks, and ſo they ariſe and depart home.

On

On Bartholomew Even, for the Fair in Smithfield.

THe Aldermen meet my Lord and the Sheriffs at the Guild-hall Chappel, at two of the Clock after Dinner, in their Violet Gowns lined, and their Horses, without Cloaks, and there hear Evening Prayer: which being done, they take their Horses and ride to Newgate, and so forth of the Gate, entring into the Cloth-Fair, and there make a Proclamation: the Proclamation being made, they ride through the Cloth-Fair, and so return back again through the Church-yard of great St. Bartholomews to Alderſgate, and so ride home again to the Lord Majors house.

On

On St. Bartholomew-day, For Wreſtling.

SO many Aldermen as do dine with my L. Mayor and the Sheriffs be apparelled in their Scarlet Gowns lined, and after Dinner their Horſes be brought to them where they dine: & thoſe Aldermen which dine with the Sheriffs ride with them to my Lords houſe to accompany him to the Wreſtling. Then, when the Wreſtling is done, they take their horſes and ride back again through the Fair, and ſo in at Alderſgate, and ſo home again to the ſaid Lord Mayors houſe.

The next day, if it be not Sunday, for the Shooting, as upon Bartholomew-day: but if it be Sunday, the Monday following.

For

For our Lady-day in Southwark.

My Lord Mayor and the Sheriffs ride to Saint Magnus Church in their Scarlet Gowns lined, without their Cloaks, after Dinner, at two of the Clock, and there the Aldermen meet my Lord, and after the Evening Prayer they ride through the Fair, till they come unto S. Georges Church, and farther to Newington Bridge, or to S. Thomas of Waterings, to the stones that point out the Liberties of the City, (if it be so their pleasures) and they return back again unto the Bridge-house, and have a Banquet there, and then over the Bridge, and there the Aldermen take their leave of my Lord, and depart the next way, every

Embroydered Cap, Pearl Sword, Collier of Esses without Hood.

every one to his house. And after all is done, and my Lord brought home, my Lord Majors Officers have a Supper made them by the Bridge-masters.

For the Swearing of the Sheriffs upon Michaelmas Even.

What day soever it falleth, so many of the Aldermen as be bidden to Dinner to either of the Sheriffs come thither to Breakfast, or else to drink, at eight of the Clock in the morning, in their Violet Gowns furred, with their Violet Cloaks furred, brought with them, without hoods. And if the Sheriff be an Alderman, then they must put on their Cloaks, and the Sheriff likewise his Cloak, and so go to the Guild-hall between two of the gray

gray Cloaks: And if the Sheriff be no Alderman, then to come between two of the Aldermen without Cloaks, and the Sheriff in his Livery Gown and his Hood. And after when he is sworn, then to put on his Violet Gown and Cloak, and his Chain thereon. And the Aldermen must bring him home to his place, with their Cloaks, to Dinner, and so after Dinner take their pleasure.

Upon Michaelmas-day, for the Election of my Lord Major.

ALl the Aldermen meet my Lord and the Sheriffs at eight of the Clock in the Morning at Guild-hall, in their Scarlet Gowns and their Cloaks furred, and their Horses: and after they

have been a certain time together in the Council-Chamber, they come forth into the Orphans Court, and put on their Cloaks, and so go in order to the Chappel, there hearing Service and Sermon, and my Lord with certain Aldermen receive the Communion.

And then after the Communion ended, and they have offered, return again into the Council-Chamber, and, pausing a while, return to the place where the Hustings is kept, and being set in order, Walter Recorder ariseth up, and maketh his obeysance first to my Lord, and after to the Commons, and declareth unto them, that they of old custom know that the cause of their Assembly and meeting together is for the Election of the Lord Major for the year ensuing; declaring unto

unto them divers Grants from the Kings Progenitors for this their Election from time to time. That done, my Lord and the Aldermen go up into my Lords Court, and there tarry (the door being shut to them) till the Election be brought to them. Then standeth up Master Common Serjeant, (the Sheriffs standing on either side of him) and by the Sheriffs, Master Chamberlein, M. Town-Clerk, the two Secondaries, and the Counsellors of the City, in the said Hustings Court before the Commons. And he the said Common Serjeant maketh a short rehearsal of that M. Recorder had spoken to them before, saying, There resteth no more for him to say, but to put them in remembrance in what order and sort they should use themselves in their Election; that is, how they must

nominate and chuſe two, of the which two my Lord and the Aldermen muſt confirm one: which two being nominated, elected, and choſen, Maſter Common Serjeant, the Sheriffs, with the reſt before named, and certain of the head Wardens of the chief Companies, go up to my Lord and the Aldermen, and there preſent the names of thoſe two which the Commons have nominated in their Election.

Then the Lord Major and the Aldermen proceed by ſcrutiny to elect one of thoſe two perſons, which the ſaid Commons had before nominated. Then cometh down my Lord again to the Hullings Court, and he (whom they have choſen) on his left hand, and ſo my Lord and the Aldermen ſit down again in order: but he who is choſen ſitteth next unto my

Lord

Lord on his left hand. Then standeth Master Recorder up, and readeth unto them the names of such persons whom they have nominated and chosen: of which my Lord and the Aldermen have admitted one, whose name is N. asking them whether it be their free Election, yea or no: and the Commons answer, Yea, yea. Then the Sword Bearer taketh off his Tippet, and hath it for his labour, and putteth on his Chain, and the Major new elected standeth upon the Hustings Court, and giveth thanks, &c. That being done, the old Major doth likewise give them thanks, &c. Then they arise up, and put off their Cloaks, and my Lord Major hath the Lord Elect riding with him to the eldest Sheriffs to Dinner.

For presenting of my Lord Elect to the Lord Chancellor (or Lord Keeper.)

THen after Dinner my Lord Elect goeth to my Lord Chancellor, (or Lord Keeper) if he be at home at his place, or near unto it, with five or six of the Aldermen, and Master Recorder with him, in their Violet Gowns, either by Foot or by Water, as the Dwelling place of the Chancellor (or Lord Keeper) requireth. The Common Hunt, with the extraordinary Officers, and those that be at liberty, attend on him.

The

The morrow after Michaelmas-day for the Sheriffs going to *weſtminſter*.

ALl the Aldermen muſt be at the two Sheriffs houſes in the morning at eight of the Clock in their Violet Gowns furred, and their Horſes without Cloaks: but my Lord Maſter Recorder and the two Sheriffs muſt be in their Scarlet Gowns furred, and their Cloaks born to Weſtminſter with them, and ſo ride to the Guild-hall, and from thence to the Vinetree, and there taking Barge land at Weſtminſter Bridge, and in the Hall put on their Cloaks, and ſo go up to the Exchequer: and there the two new Sheriffs be preſented, and the old ſworn to their account.

Then they put off their Cloaks, and take Barge, landing again at the Quaetree, and there take horse: and my Lord Major rideth to the eldest Sheriffs to dinner, Master Recorder and the Sheriffs riding next my Lord, the two Sheriffs carrying two white rods in their hands, and their Yench-men going after them.

The Order for *Simon* and *Judes* day.

THe old Major shall have so many of the Aldermen as dine with him come to his place at eight of the Clock in the morning, in their Violet Gowns furred, with their Violet Cloaks furred, and Horses, and the Sheriffs to fetch him to the Hall, and there tarry in the Council Chamber until the new Major cometh, and the

the rest of the Aldermen come, with the company of either of the Lords before them: and after they have been together a certain space come forth into the Orphans Court, and put on their furred Cloaks, and go to the Hustings Court: and there being set in order, the Common Crier maketh Proclamation, commanding every man to keep silence.

Then Master Town-Clerk giveth him his Oath: and when he hath taken his Oath, the old Lord ariseth, and giveth the new Lord his place, the old Lord taking the new Lords place: and then Master Chamberlain delivereth first to him the Scepter, next the Keys of the Common Seal, lastly, the Seal of the Office of the Majoralty; after Master Sword-bearer giveth him the Sword. Then they arise and put off their

Cloaks,

Cloaks, and the old Lord rideth home with the new Lord to his place, and there leaveth him, and as many of the Aldermen as dine with him. And the old Lord, with the rest of the Aldermen, ride to his place, the Sword born before him: and so after Dinner the Aldermen depart home at their pleasure.

On the morrow after *Simon* and *Jndes* day, for my Lords going to take his Oath at *Westminster*.

A Velvet Hood, Cap of Maintenance.

ALl the Aldermen and the Sheriffs come to my new Lord at eight of the Clock in their Scarlet Gowns furred, and their Cloaks born with them, and their Horses, and so ride to the Guild-hall, and the Bachellors and the Livery

Livery of my Lords Company before him.

But the old Lord rideth from his own place to the Hall alone, having no Officers to wait upon him but the Common Hunt, as a Gentleman Usher, going, and those Officers that be at liberty, and the Common Hunt his man, (with his own men following him) and so tarrieth at the Hall. A Velvet Hood for both Majors.

And after they be come all together, they take their Horses, and ride to the Vinetree, and there take Barge to Westminster Bridge.

And after they be landed, the Lord Major and the Aldermen put on their Cloaks within the Palace, and go round about the Hall, making Curtisie in the Hall, and so go up to the Exchequer to be sworn. Then after the Oath taken in the Exchequer, they come down again, and go first to the

Kings

Kings Bench, then to the Common Place, and so put off their Cloaks, and go about the Kings Tombs in Westminster Abbey, and then take Barge again. And being landed, he rideth to the Guild-hall to Dinner, and all the Companies of the City with him: and at their coming into the Hall, the new Lord Major, with two of the ancient Aldermen, Master Recorder and the Sheriffs go up to my Lords Table to bid them Welcom, and likewise all the other ghests there, and from thence to the Lady Majoress Table, and so come out to the Gentlewomens Table, & to the Judges: and so from thence my said new Lord Major goeth into the Chamberleins Office, where he dineth; and the old Lord Major, at their first coming into the Hall, goeth up to the high Table in the Hall-

Hustings, and there keepeth the State for that Feast. And after the Hall is almost served of the second, then the new Lord Major goeth with Master Recorder and those Aldermen that dine with him, to bid the old Lord and all the ghests in the Hall Welcom. Then after Dinner goeth to S. Pauls, with all the Companies waiting before my Lord.

For going to St. *Pauls* on *All-Saints day*, *Christmas day*, *Twelfth day*, and *Candlemas day*.

ALl the Aldermen and the Sheriffs come to my Lords place in their Scarlet Gowns furred, and their Cloaks and Hoses, and from thence ride to the Guild-hall, my Lords Company and the Bachelors before him, and

A Velvet Hood for both.

All Saints day is the last day that the old Lord rides with the new.

Cap of Maintenance.

and there hear Evening Prayer: and when Prayer is done, they ride to St. Pauls, and there both the new Lord Major and the old put on their Cloaks, and go up to the Quire, and there hear the Sermon: which done, they go about the Church, and there put off their Cloaks where they were put on. Then they take their Horses again, and the Aldermen bring my Lord home, and then they have Spice-bread and Hippocras, and so take their leave of my Lord.

Upon St. *Thomas* day.

If it be not Sunday.

The Lord Major and every Alderman is to sit in his Ward in his Violet Gown and Cloak furred.

For

For the *Chriſtmas Holidays.*

FOr Chriſtmas Holydays, until Twelfth day, if my Lord and the Aldermen go abroad to any publick Meeting, they are to wear Scarlet: but on the Working days, within the twelve days, if my Lord go to the Guild-hall, Markets, or Streets, they wear Black. No Cloak

Upon *Innocents* day.

No State

UPon Innocents day the Aldermen dine at my Lords, and the Sheriffs, in Scarlet: but the Ladies wear black.

For

For Monday after *Twelfth* day.

My Lord and the Aldermen meet at the Guild-hall at eight of the Clock in the morning in their Scarlet Gowns furred, and their Cloaks furred, without Hoods, to receive of their Wards their Indentures of the Ward-mote Inquest, and for the swearing of the Constables and Scavengers.

For *Good-Friday*.

Black Sword. My Lord and the Aldermen meet at S. Pauls Crosse at one of the Clock, to hear the Sermon, in their pewk Gowns and without their Chains and Tippets.

For

For Munday and Tueſday in Eaſter Week.

ALl the Aldermen and Sheriffs come unto my Lords place before eight of the Clock to breakfaſt, in their Scarlet Gowns furred, and their Cloaks and Horſes: and after Breakfaſt, take their Horſes, and ride to the Spittle, and there put on their Cloaks, and ſo ſit down in order to hear the Sermon; which done, they ride homeward in order, till they come to the Pump within Biſhopſgate, and there ſo many of the Aldermen as do dine with the Sheriffs take their leave of my Lord, and the reſt go home with him.

A Hood for my Lord Cup of Maintenance.

For Wedneſday in Eaſter week.

LIke as before in the other two days, ſave that my Lord and the Aldermen muſt be in their Violet Gowns, and ſuitable Cloaks, but the Ladies in Black.

For Low-ſunday.

ALl the Aldermen meet my Lord and the Sheriffs at St. Pauls School in their Scarlet Gowns furred, without their Cloaks or Horſes, to hear the Sermon.

For

For *Whit-ſunday.*

FOr Whitſunday all the Aldermen meet my Lord and the Sheriffs at the new Church-yard, in their Scarlet Gowns lined, without Cloaks, to hear the Sermon: which being ended, they depart.

For Munday and Tueſday in Whitſun week.

ALl the Aldermen muſt meet my Lord Major and the Sheriffs at S. Pauls in their Scarlet Gowns, without Cloaks, to hear the Sermon. If his pleaſure be to go.

For

For the Lord Majors Knighthood.

ALl the Aldermen meet my Lord either at the three Cranes (if the King be at Weſtminſter) or at St. Mary hill, (if the King be at Greenwich) by ſeven of the Clock in the morning in their Scarlet Gowns and Cloaks born with them: and after Morning Prayer they take Barge to the Kings place, where they attend till that Ceremony be ended, and ſo go home with my Lord Major to Dinner.

For

For going to St. *Pauls* the first Sunday of every Term.

ALl the Aldermen meet my Lord and the Sheriffs at St. Pauls, in their Scarlet Gowns furred or lined, without Cloaks or Horse, as the time of the year requireth, when the Term beginneth.

For Election of Knights and Burgesses of the Parliament.

ALl the Aldermen meet my Lord & the Sheriffs at Guild-hall at nine of the Clock, in their Violet Gowns and their Cloaks furred or lined, as the time of the year when they shall be chosen requireth, and sit in the Hustings

Court while the Commons chuse them. The order is, that they must chuse Master Recorder for one of their Knights, and one grey Cloak for the other, and two Commoners for the Burgesses: which done, they depart.

For the Lords of the Council coming down for Subsidies.

FOr the Lords and Commissioners coming down to assess the Subsidies, my Lord Major and the Aldermen wear their black Gowns as at other times, and the Commissioners are to be warned by Master Sheriffs Officers.

For the Election of Master Chamberlein and Bridg-masters, if any of them depart within the year.

My Lord and the Aldermen sit in the Hustings Court while they be chosen, in their Violet Gowns without their Cloaks, and do not remove until the Election be done.

For the Coronation of a King.

ALl the Aldermen meet my Lord and the Sheriffs at the three Cranes in the Vintry, at the hour of their summons, in their scarlet Gowns and Cloaks born with them, lined or furred, according to the time of the year, where taking Barge, they

My Lord in a crimson velvet Gown, Coller of Esses and Scepter. No cloak

land at Westminster, and there they attend in the Checquer-Chamber (being served with Wine and Cakes) until they are called by the Heralds: then they put on their Cloaks.

The Use of my Lords Cloak.

Beginning upon Michaelmas Even

FRom Michaelmas to Whitsuntide, Violet furred: and from Whitsuntide to Michaelmas Scarlet lined.

The Lord Major and those Knights that have born the Office of Majoralty ought to have their Cloaks furred with grey Amis, and those Aldermen that have not been Majors are to have their Cloaks furred with Chalabre.

And likewise such as have been Majors are to have their Cloaks lined with changeable Taffaty, and

and the rest are to have them lined with green Taffaty.

For the first day of every Quarter-Sessions.

The first day of every Quarter-Sessions, in the forenoon only, my Lord and the Sheriffs wear their Violet Gowns and Cloaks furred; but at Midsummer Quarter-Sessions the first day they wear Violet Gowns and Scarlet Cloaks, and on the other days Black.

For the Burial of Aldermen

The Aldermen muſt be in their Violet Gowns, except ſuch as have of their Friends black Gowns. When any Alderman dieth, Maſter Swoꝛd-bearer is to have a black Gown, oꝛ xxiij s. iv. d. in money: and if he giveth my Loꝛd a black Gown, Maſter Swoꝛd-bearer is to have another, oꝛ xl. s. in mony, the ꝓice thereof, and ſo carry the Swoꝛd in black before my Loꝛd.

Maſter Chamberlein is not to wear his Tippet but when my Loꝛd Maꝛoꝛ oꝛ the Aldermen wear their Scarlet oꝛ Violet.

At

At the Nomination of an Alderman.

For the Nomination of an Alderman, my Lord weareth his black Gown and Violet Cloak, and both the Sheriffs Black Gowns.

For the Orphans Court.

My Lord and the Aldermen meet at the Guild-hall in their Violet Gowns without Cloaks, but my Lord Major must have his Cloak. This Court the Common Crier warneth.

At the Election of Governours for Christs Hospital.

For the Election of the Governours of the several Hospitals, the Lord Major and the Aldermen wear black Gowns.

The four Pleaders, the Chamberlein, Town-Clerk, Common Serjeant, two Judges of the Sheriffs Court, the Secondaries, Under Chamberlein, and Bridgmasters, are to attend my Lord at his house, before his going abroad upon all Festival Times, and general days.

Courts

Courts of Aldermen.

COurts of Aldermen in Ordinary are kept at the Guild-hall every Tuesday and Thursday through the whole year, except Holy-days, the Month of August, until Bartholomew day be past, the Week before Christmas, Shrove-Tuesday, and the Week before Easter.

It hath been usual when the Lord Major and Aldermen wear Scarlet and Violet Gowns also to wear their Velvet Tippets.

FINIS.

The Names of the ſeveral Companies in their Order.

Mercers.	Cutlers.
Grocers.	Bakers.
Drapers.	Wax-Chandlers
Fiſhmongers.	Tallow-Chandl.
Goldſmiths.	Armourers.
Skinners.	Girdlers.
Merchant-Tayl.	Butchers.
Haberdaſhers.	Sadlers.
Salters.	Carpenters.
Iron-mongers.	Cordwainers.
Vintners.	Painter-ſtainers.
Cloth-workers.	Curriers.
Diers.	Maſons.
Brewers.	Plummers.
Leatherſellers.	Inholders.
Pewterers.	Founders.
Barberſurgions.	Poulterers.

Cook:

Cooks.
Coopers.
Tilers & Bricklayers.
Bowyers.
Fletchers.
Black-Smiths.
Joyners.
Weavers.
Woolmen.
Scriveners.
Fruiterers.
Plaiſterers.
Stationers.
Embroiderers.
Upholders.
Muſicians.
Turners.
Basket-makers.
Glaſiers.
Horners.
Farriers.
Paviours.
Lawriners.

Apothecaries.
Shipwrights.
Spectacle-makers
Clock-makers.
Glovers.
Comb-makers.
Felt-makers.
Frame-work-knitters.
Silk-Throers.
Carmen.
Pin-makers.
Needle-makers.
Gardners.
Sope-makers.
Tin-plate-workers.
Wheelwrights.
Diſtillers.
Hatband-makers
Patten-makers.
Glaſs-ſellers.
Tobacco-Pipe-makers.